

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2504 - HB 2842

March 21, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (016145): Authorizes campaign workers or volunteers working outside a polling place to use restroom facilities in the polling place if the worker or volunteer covers or removes campaign clothing or accessories before entering. Affirms that a worker or volunteer who enters the boundary of the polling places without covering or removing campaign material is subject to a Class C misdemeanor.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-7-111(a) and (b), any campaign materials, including buttons, caps, hats, pins, or shirts, are prohibited from entering the boundary established by county election commissions around designated entrances to buildings where an election is to be held.
- Authorizing campaign workers or volunteers who remove prohibited items to use restroom facilities in a polling place will not have a significant impact on polling place procedures.
- There will not be a sufficient change in the number of misdemeanor prosecutions for the state or local government to experience any significant change in revenue or expenditures.
- Any fiscal impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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